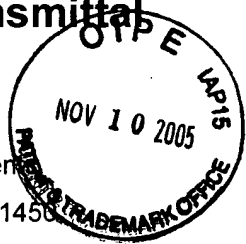


<p align="center">Request For Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal</p> <p>Address to: Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450</p> 	Application Number	09/955,924
	Filing Date	September 19, 2001
	First Named Inventor	Huitema
	Group Art Unit	2131
	Examiner Name	Longbit Chai
	Attorney Docket Number	177765.01

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above- identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR § 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application.

1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).

a. Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.

 i. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____

 ii. Other _____

b. Enclosed

 i. Amendment/Reply (after Final) (23 pages)

 ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

 iii. Information Disclosure Statement

 iv. Petition for Extension of Time (3 months; in duplicate)

 v. Other: Copy of this RCE Transmittal Form; Fee Transmittal (in duplicate; total fee \$1,810.00); Express Mail Certificate; Return Receipt Postcard

2. **Miscellaneous**

a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(l) required)

b. Other _____

3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

a. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 50-0463. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

 i. RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) (\$790.00)

 ii. Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17) (3 months; \$1,020.00)

 iii. Other _____

b. Check in the amount of \$ _____ enclosed

c. Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY OR AGENT			
Name	Carole A. Boelitz	Registration No.	48,958
Signature	<i>[Handwritten Signature]</i>	Date	November 10, 2005

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Signature	<i>[Handwritten Signature]</i>	Date	November 10, 2005
Name	Kate Marochkina	Date	November 10, 2005

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